Face-to-Face

Face-to-face opportunities occur at various stages throughout WIDE World's online professional development programs: institution kickoffs, check-ins, and follow-ups; in-depth workshops at Harvard; and local teams meeting to discuss course assignments and classroom/school action.

Institutional Events
Local or video-conferenced institution-inclusive events like kickoffs help orient large groups of WIDE World pathway participants to district goals for professional development (of course, identifying these goals is part of the design process). In addition, they introduce pedagogical ideas, course logistics, and course platform functionality to all course participants. Initial team development and logistical work also happens at such an event if your district has chosen to enroll its participants in teams. Schools/districts have the option to plan check-in and follow-up meetings if required.

Want to start a conversation about options? Contact us

Conferences and Workshops
Conferences and workshops at the Harvard Graduate School of Education can enrich WIDE World professional development pathways for teachers, coaches, and leaders. Institutes topics range from learning and supporting new pedagogies and strategies for teaching, to coach development, to using data to focus school and district reform effectively. WIDE World is working in partnership with Programs in Professional Education at the Harvard Graduate School of Education to provide these options.

Team Interaction
Finally, within our online courses, team interactions, whether over lunch, after school, or during a release period allow teachers to work collaboratively on course projects, critique each other's work using assessment protocols, and/or observe classroom practice to inform the revision of teaching craft.

All of these types of face-to-face interactions blend effectively with WIDE World's online courses and strengthen the journey to teaching and learning for understanding.